

REMARKS

Independent claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of "objected to" claim 6. Therefore, claim 1 should now be allowable. Claims 2-5 and 8 are dependent from claim 1, so that these dependent claims should now be allowable.

Independent claim 10 is amended to include the limitations of "objected to" claim 15. Therefore, claim 10 should now be allowable. Claims 11-14 and 17 are dependent from claim 10, so that these dependent claims should now be allowable.

Claims 9, 18 and 19 are allowed.

Claims 6, 7, 15, 16 and 20-23 are canceled.

Therefore, claims 1-5, 8-14 and 17-19 are currently pending, and should all clearly be allowable.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

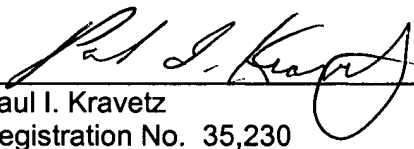
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